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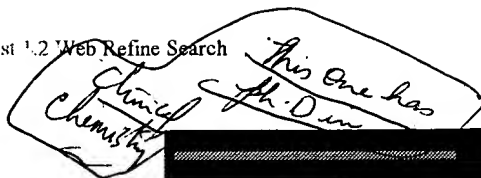
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TI A completely degradable phosphate glass/polyhydroxybutyrate (PHB)  
based composite with long term stability and biocompatibility

L3 ANSWER 3 OF 5 CAPLUS COPYRIGHT 1998 ACS

TI Reinforced triazine resin for joint implants

L3 ANSWER 4 OF 5 CAPLUS COPYRIGHT 1998 ACS

TI Absorbable, reinforced, composite, polymeric **bone  
implants** and implant components

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TI Material for making bone endoprosthesis and endoprosthesis of said  
material

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ACCESSION NUMBER: 1995:222461 CAPLUS

DOCUMENT NUMBER: 122:38659

TITLE: Preliminary biocompatibility screening of  
several biodegradable phosphate fiber  
**reinforced polymers**

AUTHOR(S): Andriano, Kirk P.; Daniels, A. U.; Smutz, W.  
Paul; Wyatt, Ronald W. B.; Heller, Jorge

CORPORATE SOURCE: School of Medicine, University of Utah, Salt  
Lake City, UT, USA

SOURCE: J. Appl. Biomater. (1993), 4(1), 1-12

CODEN: JABIEW; ISSN: 1045-4861

DOCUMENT TYPE: Journal

LANGUAGE: English

AB This article describes preliminary biocompatibility screening of  
three degradable phosphate fibers contg. K<sup>+</sup>, Ca<sup>2+</sup>/Na<sup>+</sup> and  
Na<sup>+</sup>/Ca<sup>2+</sup>/Al<sup>3+</sup> ions in the polymer chain, and of several different  
degradable **polymers reinforced** with these  
fibers. Biodegradable phosphate fibers of calcium-sodium-

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metaphosphate (CSM) and sodium-calcium-aluminum-polyphosphate (NCAP) were acutely nontoxic in cellular, tissue, and whole animal evaluations, as detd. by std. acute toxicity tests. Histol. studies of **bone implants** sites fabricated from composites of copolymers of poly(E-caprolactone/L-lactide) and poly(ortho ester) reinforced with either CSM or NCAP fibers showed these composite materials to be nontoxic, with no abnormal inflammatory response. However, histol. evaluation of muscle implants sites revealed the appearance of necrotic foci assocd. with implant sites in 12 of 22 NCAP contg. composite specimens (p < 0.05). Results of this preliminary biocompatibility screening suggest CSM fibers may be useful in **reinforcing** degradable **polymers** for prodn. of completely biodegradable composites for implant use.

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ACCESSION NUMBER: 1993:434271 CAPLUS

DOCUMENT NUMBER: 119:34271

TITLE: A completely degradable phosphate glass/polyhydroxybutyrate (PHB) based composite with long term stability and biocompatibility  
AUTHOR(S): Knowles, Jonathan C.; Hastings, Garth W.  
CORPORATE SOURCE: Queen Mary Westfield Coll., IRC Biomed. Mater., London, E1 4NS, UK  
SOURCE: Adv. Biomater. (1992), 10(Biomaterial-Tissue Interfaces), 439-46  
CODEN: ABIODQ; ISSN: 0272-3840

DOCUMENT TYPE: Journal

LANGUAGE: English

AB A composite has been developed, using a completely degradable phosphate glass for **reinforcement** and a PHB **polymer** matrix. Alteration of the glass compn. produces an alteration in the glass soly. In vivo, this has been used to control the overall degn. pattern of the composite. A close link between mass loss and the change in Young's modulus was shown. Of particular interest for this composite were the piezoelec. properties. A relationship between applied load and strain generated potential (SGP) was shown. A further relationship for loading frequency and SGP was found. Of importance for the composites SGP was the fact that the SGP was of the same order of magnitude as that found in bone, thus making this material interesting for use in orthopedics. A comprehensive in vivo study both s.c. and for femoral implants, revealed tissue reactions which were closely linked to the mass loss shown in vitro. For the **bone implants**, bone growth onto the surface of the implant was seen with little interposed soft tissue at 8 wk and direct bone growth at 12 wk.

L3 ANSWER 3 OF 5 CAPLUS COPYRIGHT 1998 ACS

ACCESSION NUMBER: 1991:520126 CAPLUS

DOCUMENT NUMBER: 115:120126

TITLE: Reinforced triazine resin for joint implants

INVENTOR(S): Gohl, Walter; Esper, Friedrich J.

PATENT ASSIGNEE(S): Bosch, Robert, G.m.b.H., Fed. Rep. Ger.

SOURCE: Ger. Offen., 5 pp.

CODEN: GWXXBX

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PATENT INFORMATION: DE 3942769 A1 19910627  
APPLICATION INFORMATION: DE 89-3942769 19891223  
DOCUMENT TYPE: Patent  
LANGUAGE: German

AB Implants, esp. joint and hip prostheses, are made of Al<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub>-contg. C fiber-reinforced triazine resin. An implant material was made of triazine resin 34.3, C fiber 20.0 and Al<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub> 7.2 g. As shown by the ring-on-disk test, Al<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub> strongly increased the wear resistance of the material.

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ACCESSION NUMBER: 1989:44982 CAPLUS

DOCUMENT NUMBER: 110:44982

TITLE: Absorbable, reinforced, composite, polymeric  
**bone implants** and implant components

INVENTOR(S): Tormala, Pertti; Rokkanen, Pentti; Laiho, Juha;  
Tamminmaki, Markku; Vainionpaa, Seppo

PATENT ASSIGNEE(S): Materials Consultants Oy, Finland

SOURCE: Finn., 14 pp.  
CODEN: FIXXAP

NUMBER DATE  
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PATENT INFORMATION: FI 75493 B 19880331  
APPLICATION INFORMATION: FI 85-1828 19850508  
DOCUMENT TYPE: Patent  
LANGUAGE: Finnish

AB The title **bone implants** have a self-reinforcing structure, i.e., they consist of a matrix of an absorbing polymer or copolymer and contain absorbing fibers of comparable chem. structure as reinforcement. The structures are prepd. by mixing the fibers into the molten polymer, and cooling rapidly to avoid melting of the fibers. A molten glycolide-lactide copolymer, at 195.degree., was combined with a continuous filament material, and molded to give cylindrical pieces contg. 30% fiber, and having 45 mm diam. The tensile strength was 260 vs. 50 MPa for nonself-strengthening material.

L3 ANSWER 5 OF 5 CAPLUS COPYRIGHT 1998 ACS

ACCESSION NUMBER: 1980:28610 CAPLUS

DOCUMENT NUMBER: 92:28610

TITLE: Material for making bone endoprosthesis and endoprosthesis of said material

INVENTOR(S): Kalnberz, V. K.; Yanson, K. A.; Knets, I. V.;  
Saulgozis, J. Z.

PATENT ASSIGNEE(S): Scientific-Research Institute of Traumatology  
and Orthopedics, Rizhsky, USSR; Institute of  
Polymer Mechanics, Academy of Sciences, Latvian  
S.S.R.

SOURCE: Brit., 12 pp.  
CODEN: BRXXAA

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PATENT INFORMATION: GB 1549328 19790725  
APPLICATION INFORMATION: GB 76-38431 19760916



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DOCUMENT TYPE: Patent  
LANGUAGE: English

AB A material for bone endoprostheses with improved biocompatibility and durability comprises a plastic material, e.g. epoxy resin or graphite-filled polyethylene [9002-88-4], reinforced by 2 networks of metal wires and synthetic fibers, resp., to form a composite of elasticity approximating that of natural bone. The elements of each net form parallelogram-shaped meshes contg. an acute angle of 60.degree. and the metal and synthetic fiber networks are aligned or mutually offset by <10.degree.. The vol. ratio between the metal, synthetic fiber, and plastic is .apprxeq. 1:2:1.

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L2 ANSWER 1 OF 2 CAPLUS COPYRIGHT 1998 ACS  
TI Biologically resorbable polymerization products made of binding agent systems which can be hardened by radiation

L2 ANSWER 2 OF 2 CAPLUS COPYRIGHT 1998 ACS  
TI Calcium phosphate **ceramic**-based implant material

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L2 ANSWER 1 OF 2 CAPLUS COPYRIGHT 1998 ACS  
ACCESSION NUMBER: 1998:338099 CAPLUS  
DOCUMENT NUMBER: 129:19731  
TITLE: Biologically resorbable polymerization products made of binding agent systems which can be hardened by radiation  
INVENTOR(S): Wenz, Robert; Nies, Berthold  
PATENT ASSIGNEE(S): Merck Patent G.m.b.H., Germany; Wenz, Robert; Nies, Berthold  
SOURCE: PCT Int. Appl., 21 pp.  
CODEN: PIXXD2

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ES, FI, FR, GA, GB, GR, IE, IT, LU, MC, ML, MR,  
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APPLICATION INFORMATION: WO 97-EP6029 19971031  
PRIORITY APPLN. INFO.: DE 96-19646782 19961113  
DOCUMENT TYPE: Patent  
LANGUAGE: German

AB Ethylene glycol and glycerol esters of .omega.-(meth)acryloyloxy-terminated poly(.omega.-hydroxy acids) HO2CR1OH [R1 = CH2, CHMe, CH2CH2, (CH2)3, CHMeCH2, CH2CHMe, or o-, m-, or p-C6H4] are polymd. with electromagnetic radiation to form bioresorbable polymers useful in prodn. of tooth varnish, tooth inlays, and molded implants. Application of a temporary, resorbable varnish contg. e.g. a Ca salt, an antibiotic, or an elastase inhibitor to an occlusive film inserted into the alveolus-root space aids in regeneration in treatment of periodontitis. The varnish may contain a local anesthetic to diminish sensitivity of exposed necks of teeth, or a fluoride to promote hardening of the tooth surface. Inlays prepd. from mixts. of the esters and hydroxylapatite do not shrink during polymn., and therefore do not form marginal clefts in cavities. Molded porous implants may be impregnated with the monomer and irradiated for use as artificial bone; degrdn. of the polymer permits ingrowth of new bone tissue. Thus, ethylene glycol oligolactide bismethacrylate was mixed with 1% camphorquinone in darkness and stored in a brown **glass** bottle. The film produced by application of this mixt. to a tooth and photopolymn. was very strong and resistant to abrasion.

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ACCESSION NUMBER: 1993:87709 CAPLUS  
DOCUMENT NUMBER: 118:87709  
TITLE: Calcium phosphate **ceramic**-based  
implant material  
INVENTOR(S): Bauer, Hans Joerg; Bauer, Gerd; Dingeldein,  
Elvira; Wahlig, Helmut  
PATENT ASSIGNEE(S): Merck Patent G.m.b.H., Germany  
SOURCE: Eur. Pat. Appl., 7 pp.  
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APPLICATION INFORMATION:	EP 92-109631	19920609
PRIORITY APPLN. INFO.:	DE 91-4120325	19910620
DOCUMENT TYPE:	Patent	
LANGUAGE:	German	

AB An implant material consists of >50% Ca phosphate **ceramic** particles and **polylactide** and/or polyglycolide, disposed as bridges between the particles, to form porous structures. The **ceramic** particles are <50% covered with the polymer. A mixt. of Spongiosa bone **ceramics** 75, poly(DL-lactide) 22, and DL-lactic acid 3 parts was molded and microwave-irradiated (450W) for 3 min, to give a **bone implant**.

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INVENTOR(S): Bauer, Hans Joerg; Bauer, Gerd; Dingeldein,  
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File: USPT

Feb 20, 1996

DOCUMENT-IDENTIFIER: US 5492697 A

TITLE: Biodegradable implant for fracture nonunions

## ABPL:

A biodegradable implant for placement in nonunion bone fractures as a substitute for bone graft material is provided which is a flat plate or disk having a thickness of between about 1 mm and about 15% of the length of the bone, interconnected micropores, and canals substantially equivalent in size and spacing to naturally-occurring Haversian canals. The implant may additionally comprise additives such as growth factors, including bone morphogenic protein. In a preferred embodiment the implant is formed from a biodegradable polymer such as a polylactic acid-polyglycolic acid copolymer by a gel casting technique followed by solvent extraction to precipitate the implant as a microporous solid.

## BSPR:

Kulkarni et al., Arch. Surg., 93:839-43 (1966) describe the production of poly(DL-lactic acid) pins for reduction of mandibular fractures in dogs. Getter et al., J. Oral Surg., 30:344-48 (1972), describe the use of high molecular weight PLA plates to treat mandibular fractures in dogs. Leenslag et al., Biomaterials, 8:70-73 (1987), disclose treatment of fractured zygoma in 10 patients using high molecular weight PLA plates. Such polymers, however, tend to be absorbed very slowly. Bostman et al., J. Bone and Joint Surgery, 69-B, No. 4 (1987), describe the use of high strength, fast resorbing, self-reinforced PLA/PGA rods for routine treatment of patients with displaced malleolar fractures.

## DEPR:

The resorption rate of biodegradable polymers may be influenced by the material form. Porosity generally facilitates fluid ingress throughout the material, exposing a large surface area of the material to chain scission by hydrolysis. Increased degradation rates can be expected. Porous implant surfaces present a favorable surface for cell attachment and growth, enhancing the implant's function as a biodegradable scaffold for tissue repair or implant fixation.

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File: USPT

Apr 7, 1987

DOCUMENT-IDENTIFIER: US 4655777 A

TITLE: Method of producing biodegradable prosthesis and products therefrom

### ABPL:

Method of producing biodegradable prostheses comprising a composite of resorbable fibers reinforcing a biodegradable polymer matrix and the use thereof in medical applications such as bone plates and other orthopedic devices. The fibers include ceramic powders, .beta.-TCP and CaAl and a biodegradable glass, CMP.

### BSPR:

Those materials and many of the prior art materials suffer from the common drawback of being permanent. In many applications, such as a fixation appliance holding a fracture together while it heals, it is highly desirable if the implant can be resorbed by the body. Such an implant would biodegrade over a period of weeks or years, and be gradually replaced by natural bone growth. Such materials eliminate the need for a second surgery to remove the implant. However, homogenous fixation plates previously fabricated from biodegradable polymers have been shown to possess insufficient strength and rigidity for initial fracture fixation. Porous resorbable ceramics have also been used in bone repair, but they must be used in conjunction with other support because of their fragile nature.

### BSPR:

The disadvantages of the prior art are overcome by the present invention comprising biodegradable, high-strength, rigid fixation systems formed of composites of biodegradable polymers reinforced with resorbable fibers, particularly calcium phosphate fibers; the degradation products of the composites of the present invention are nontoxic and harmless to the host. The preferred polymers include polyglycolide (PGA), poly(DL-lactide) (DL-PLA), poly(DL-lactide-co-glycolide) (DL-PLG), poly(L-lactide) (L-PLA), poly(L-lactide-co-glycolide) (L-PLG), polycaprolactone (PCL), polydioxanone, polyesteramides, copolyoxalates and the polycarbonates because of their degradation times and their degree of control of degradation.

### DEPR:

Bone contains a matrix of calcium hydroxyapatite, a resorbable ceramic material, in collagen. The calcium hydroxyapatite provides rigidity and the same material, when incorporated into biodegradable polymers, should provide the necessary reinforcement for use as fixation plates or devices. A variety of ceramic forms of hydroxyapatite [Ca.sub.10(PO.sub.4).sub.6(OH).sub.2] and tricalcium phosphate [Ca.sub.3(PO.sub.4).sub.2] have been reported in the literature. Recent evidence indicates that ceramic forms of hydroxyapatite are inert as implant materials while those of tricalcium phosphate (Whitlockite) are bioabsorbable. The strength, durability, and absorption kinetics of tricalcium phosphate ceramics depend on the phasic nature of the final product, the lattice structure of the phases present, and the porosity and total surface area. Preparation of a calcium phosphate ceramic of

high purity and single-phase nature is accomplished by the precipitation method of Salsbury and Doremus for production of .beta.-Whitlockite (.beta.-TCP), as follows:

**DEPR:**

With a composite formed from a biodegradable polymer and resorbable fibers, the strength decreases with resorption time within the body. This decrease in strength is important because the fixation plate transfers the load with time to the healing bone and prevents stress protection atrophy. The loss of strength of the polymer plates reinforced with biodegradable fibers will depend primarily upon the degradation rate of the polymer because the polymer completely encases the fibers. The degradation rate of the polymeric matrix depends upon the type of polymer used. It should be noted that the degradation times set forth above are for complete disappearance from the polymer. The time for strength loss in the composite will be considerably less and can be approximated as one half the total polymer degradation time. Composites which lose their strength in one month will be useful as well as those that last up to about one year. The preferred times will be three to six months. It should also be noted that the biodegradation times of the polymers and the corresponding strength losses of the composites will depend upon polymer molecular weights. The values given in the table are for normal molecular weights. Higher molecular weight polymers will last longer and those lower in molecular weight will degrade faster. The degradation rate of the polymer can be changed by control of molecular weight, by the type of biodegradable polymer, and by controlling the ratio of lactide to glycolide in co-polymers.

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